

2004-Present

Current Iraq War

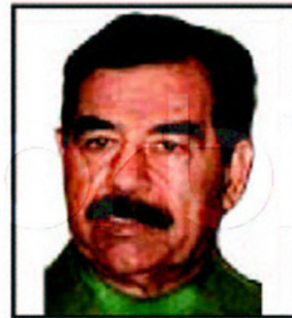
- US government believed that Iraq had WMD's (Weapons of Mass Destruction)**
- US invade Iraq in 2004 only to find that Iraq had no WMD's**
- US forces were able to remove the dictator Saddam Hussein**
- Saddam was found guilty in an Iraqi court and was executed for his crimes**

Saddam Hussein

- Iraqi Dictator that had complete control over Iraq

- Had many innocent people executed

- used money from selling oil to build government and aid terrorism



SADDAM HUSAYN AL-TIKRITI
President



Iran

Capital City Iran

Friend and then Foe

- 1979 the US backed Shah (leader) was over thrown and a new government was installed**
- This new type of government was an Islamic Republic**
- An Islamic Republic uses the religion of Islam to make rules and laws for the country**
- Iran is lead by and Ayatollah and a President**
- Main Language in Iran is called Farsi**
- Islam is the main religon of the country**

Iranian President

What is the current HUGE problem with Iran?????????



Afghanistan

Capital City Kabul

Why did the United States invade Afghanistan in 2001??????

- After the attacks of 9/11/01 the United States invaded the country of Afghanistan because it was aiding terrorist**
- A group called the Taliban was helping Osama Bin Laden**
- US invaded Afghanistan to rid the country of the Taliban**

Taliban

- Group that took control of Afghanistan in 1996 and used Islam to control it**
- Taliban was very strict and controlled 80% of the country**